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SUBJECT:NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION PARTICIPATION IN ROYAL
SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY MEETING; FEBRUARY 18-21, 1978.

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1. AS DISCUSSED AT EMB DURING VISIT NOVEMBER 5-7, 1977, WITH
BARTOCHA AND DEVEY, THEY EXPECT TO REPRESENT NSF AT RSS
MEETING.

2. DR. BUTROS OF RSS AGREED TO SEND ABSTRACTS OF JORDANIAN
POSITION PAPERS TO NSF AS SOON AS AVAILABLE FOR REFER-
ENCE IN PREPARING 20 MINUTE PAPER FOR MEETING. NSF WILL
EMPHASIZE NEED TO INCLUDE ADEQUATE LEVEL OF SUPPORT FOR
BASIC RESEARCH IN S/T PROGRAMS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. NSF
DESIRES ITS PRESENTATION TO COMPLEMENT THE THEME OF JORDANIAN
POSITION PAPERS AND REQUESTS EMB TO REMIND RSS OF NEED TO
SUPPLY ABSTRACTS ASAP. WOULD LIKE TO KNOW NUMBER AND NAMES
OF INVITED PARTICIPANTS.

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3. COPY OF TENTATIVE RSS PROGRAM MUCH DESIRED TO EXAMINE
AND DETERMINE WHETHER OPPORTUNITY EXISTS FOR NSF TO SCHEDULE
SEPARATE DISCUSSIONS ON PLAN FOR DEVELOPMNT OF COOPERATIVE
INTERNATIONAL S/T PROGRAM IN BIO-SALINE RESEARCH (REF A).
SUCH DISCUSSIONS COULD OCCUR IN SPECIAL EVENING MEETING, AT
SMALL "WORKING" DINNER, OR BY AD HOC PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS

BETWEEN NSF REPRESENTATIVES AND APPROPRIATE ATTENDEES AT
RSS MEETING. EMB ADVICE REQUESTED ON BEST APPROACH IN VIEW
OF RSS BEING HOST TO ALL PARTICIPANTS TO FOCUS ON
JORDANIAN NEEDS AND NOT BIO-SALINE RESEARCH PER SE.

4. DURING NOVEMBER VISIT REQUEST MADE FOR ACCOMMODATIONS
FOR BARTOCHA AND DEVEY AT INTERCON HOTEL. THEY PREFER TO
STAY INTERCON BUT WILL BE GUIDED BY ARRANGEMENTS RSS MAY
PREFER. VANCE

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